## **CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION[161]**

## **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 216.5, the Iowa Civil Rights Commission hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 11, "Public Records and Fair Information Practices," and Chapter 15, "Miscellaneous Provisions," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments are proposed to update the location of the Commission.

Any interested persons may make written comments on the proposed amendments on or before 4:30 p.m. on April 6, 2010. Written comments should be addressed to the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, Grimes State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. Comments may also be submitted by fax to (515)242-5840 or by E-mail to ralph.rosenberg@iowa.gov.

A public hearing will be held in the Commission Office, First Floor South, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, from 2 to 4 p.m. on April 6, 2010. At this time, persons may present their views either orally or in writing. Persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Commission and advise of specific needs.

The proposed amendments are subject to the Commission's general waiver provisions found at 161—Chapter 15.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 216.5.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 11.3(1) as follows:

11.3(1) Location of record. A request for access to a record should be directed to the Iowa civil rights commission or the particular agency office where the record is kept. The request shall be directed to the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, 211 E. Maple Street, c/o Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-1004. If a request for access to a record is misdirected, agency personnel will promptly forward the request to the appropriate person within the agency.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 15.3(1) as follows:

**15.3(1)** Filing of a request for waiver or variance. Any person may file a request for waiver or variance of an administrative rule of the civil rights commission by writing a proper request which is received by Executive Director, <u>Iowa</u> Civil Rights Commission, <u>Second Floor, 211 East Maple Street Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-1858 50319-1004.</u> All requests for waiver or variance of an administrative rule must be in writing and meet all requirements set out in paragraph 15.3(2) "a." A request for a waiver is filed by any of the methods listed in rule 161—3.5(216). The date a request for waiver is filed is governed by <u>rule161</u>—subrule 3.5(7) 3.5(4). The commission shall provide the requester with a file-stamped copy of the request if the requester provides an extra copy for this purpose.

ITEM 3. Amend subrule 15.3(6) as follows:

**15.3(6)** *Public inspection of waiver requests.* All waiver or variance requests and responses shall be indexed by administrative rule number and available to members of the public for inspection at the offices of the Civil Rights Commission, Second Floor, 211 East Maple Street Grimes State Office Building, 400 E. 14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. Identifying information concerning any person, including parties to complaints on file, may be withheld by the commission in order to protect the confidentiality of case-related information as required by Iowa Code section 216.15(4).